

LAND VALUES ARE INCREASING

In England the highest ambition of a majority of well-to-do men is to have a "place" in the country. They don't banker after city living the year around; indeed, they don't banker after it at all, except as it may be forced upon them in order that they may live near their business. But the minute their business reaches such a point as to afford them some leisure, or the minute they acquire sufficient means to retire, they seek a home in the country. England has good roads, though in very early times none were worse and these country residents are never beyond the reach of good markets and of the supplies which good markets offer. A country house ten miles from a market town, but connected with it by a good road—a road good at all seasons and in all weathers—hasn't really so difficult of access as some country



An English Country Road.

houses within a mile of some of our city limits.

Has it ever occurred to landholders in some of our own towns that good roads to their lands would not only bring those lands nearer the markets they raise produce for, but would also bring those lands nearer the city where business men do business, make them more available for residence and increase their value? No man wants to travel two or more miles every day to and from the city where his business is located over such "roads" as we have found existing in various parts of the country. No wonder the "state road" system has become so popular. But many men would be glad to drive their buggy or auto five or even more miles every day if the roads offered them were such that the drive was a daily pleasure and did not put them at an unreasonable distance from their offices in point of time.

RURAL SCHOOL TERMS

In most States school days for country children are fewer than for city children. The average length of school term in cities of the United States is one hundred and eighty-five days; in rural communities one hundred and thirty-eight days, a difference of forty-seven days. In some States the difference is much greater than this average. In many counties the average length of the rural school term is less than one hundred days, and in some districts it is less. On the other hand, in the States of California, New York and Connecticut, the country schools are in session one hundred and eighty days in a year, and in several other States almost as long. The country schools of Rhode Island are in session one hundred and ninety days in a year.

If all children are to have an equal opportunity for education we must even up the school terms of the country and give to all country children at least as many days as are now given to city children. One hundred and eighty-five days of schooling a year for all children will not be too much. There are countries in which the schools, both for city and country, are in session from two hundred and twenty to two hundred and fifty days or more in the year. American children need as much education as those of any other country, and this applies to the rural as well as urban districts.

UNIVERSAL PEACE

This nation is now in the midst of a controversy as to how best to promote universal peace. That question we will leave for diplomats to discuss, but peace within nations is no less important than peace between nations and it is heavily laden with prosperity for every citizen within our commonwealth.

Many leading politicians and oftentimes political platforms have declared war upon business and no cabinet crisis ever resulted. Many men have stood in high places and hurled "gas bombs" at industry; thrust bayonets into business enterprises and bombarded agriculture with indifference. Party leaders have many times broken diplomatic relations with industry; sent political aviators spying through the affairs of business, and political submarines have sent torpedoes crushing into the destiny of commerce. During the past quarter of a century we have fought many a duel with progress, permitted many politicians to carry on a guerrilla warfare against civilization and point a pistol at the heart of honest enterprise.

No man should be permitted to cry out for universal peace until his record has been searched for explosives, for no vessel armed or laden with munitions of war should be given a clearance to sail for the port of Universal Peace. Let us by all means have peace, but peace, like charity, should begin at home.

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And patronage but gives him pain.
Tread lightly, friends! let no rude sound
Disturb his solitude profound;
Here let him live in calm repose
Unsought except by men he owes.
And when he dies, go, plant him deep,
That naught may break his dreamless sleep—
Where no rude clamor may disport
The quiet that he loved so well.
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